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SUBJ: MEAT INSPECTION: U. S. ESTABLISHMENTS ELGIBLE TO EXPORT TO GERMANY

REF: BONN 6751, 7144

USDA VIEWS PROPOSED ACTION (I. E. DELCARING EXISTING LIST OF ELGIBLE PLANTS INVALID) WITH DEEP CONCERN. PLANT 969 ONLY ESTABLISHMENT CERTIFIED BY USDA AS MEETING GERMAN SPECIFICATIONS. ALL OTHER FEDERAL PLANTS CERTIFIED AS PRODUCING WHOLESOME PRODUCT MEETING USDA REQUIREMENTS UNDER WHOLESOME MEAT ACT. THE SIX FIRMS COMMUNICATED STATE 086016 INDICATED INTEREST EXPORTING TO GERMANY. WITH EXCEPTION PLANT 969 IT IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME IF THESE PLANTS MEET GERMAN CRITERIA. ANOTHER GROUP OF PLANTS WHICH ARE PRINCIPAL EXPORTERS ALSO INDICATED INTEREST BUT QUALIFIED THAT THEY COULD NOT AFFORD THE EXPENSE REQUIRED TO CONFORM TO THE GERMAN REQUIREMENTS.

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USDA CONCURS IN INDUSTRY BELIEF THAT SOME GERMAN SPECIFICATIONS ARE UNNECESSARILY COSTLY AND SEVERE, GIVEN U. S. CONDITIONS. THE USDA URGES DISCUSSION MODIFICATIONS OF GERMAN REQUIREMENTS OR, ALTERNATIVELY, CONTINUED EXPORT OF PRODUCT ON USDA CERTIFICATE. IF FRG UNABLE TO MODIFY REQUIREMENTS, THERE ARE STRONG INDICATIONS THAT THE U. S. WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN MEAT OFFAL EXPORT TRADE WITH FRG. RUSH

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